कृषि क्षेत्र हेतु धनराशि

787. डा. जितेन्द्र कुमार जैन : क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि गत दशक से कृषि लागत में निरंतर वृद्धि हो रही है अत: कृषि क्षेत्र में ज्यादा-से-ज्यादा धन निवेश किए जाने की आवश्यकता है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या यह भी सच है कि देश में बैंकों से प्रदान किए जाने वाले कुल ऋण में से कृषि क्षेत्र को दिए जाने वाले ऋण का प्रतिशत कम होता जा रहा है;

(ग) यदि हां, तो 70 के दशक के प्रारंभ से आज तक यह प्रतिशत कितना कम हो गया है; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में क्या कदम उठाए जा रहे हैं?

कृषि मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मुल्ला-पल्ली रामचन्द्रन) : (क) से (घ) सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है ।

Export by Hand Picked and Selected Groundnuts

788. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHAN-KER DAVE: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) what is the target of hand picked and Selected groundnut crops during this year in Saurashtra Region;

(b) whether any proposed target to export hand picked and selected groundnuts to Japan, Russia and Gulf countries by Government has been fixed; and

(c) whether farmers will get sufficient price and what steps have been taken by Government to protect them from middle men and unauthorised exporters; if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons, therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPALLY RAMACHANDRAN) : (a) No separate target has been fixed for hand picked ami selected groundnut crop in Saurashtra Region.

(b) During 1992-93 the target for export of hand picked and selected groundnut has been fixed at 22,000 MT by the Minis try of Commerce. Country-wise target has not been fixed.

(c) Apart from declaring a minimum support price for groundnut, the market intervention operation is carried out by the National Dairy Development Board to en sure remunerative price to oilseed growers.

National Dairy Development Board Act

789. SHRI B. K. HARIPRASAD : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that NDDB Act was enacted in 1987;

(b) what we the provisions for appoint-ment of Chairman and whether these norms have been followed till yet and if not the reasons thereof and corrective steps proposed in the matter;

(c) whether it is fact that there has been serious failures of NDDB over the years which have figured in the press, Parliament and various reports; and

(d) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K. C. LENKA) : (a) Yes Sir.

(b) The apopintmeat of Chairman of National Dairy Development Board is gov-erned by the provisions of sub-section (3) of Section 8 and. sub-sections (1) and (2) of Section 9 of the National Dairy Development Board Act, 1987. These provisions have been followed by the Government.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise, in view of reply «t (c) above.